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SUBJECT: REICHSBAHN DEFIANCE OF ALLIED ORDERS

REFS:(A) USBERLIN 418,(B) USBERLIN 413,
(C) USBERLIN 410

1. SUMMARY: CUSTOMS OFFICIAL HAVE BEEN INFORMED
THAT DEBRIS BUT NOT MATERIAL(SUCH AS RAILS, ETC.)
HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM ALLIED SECTORS. SENAT INSTRUCTING
FIRMS ON APPROACHES TO REICHSBAHN EXPRESSING CONCERN
THAT FIRMS MAY BE FORCED TO STOP WORK IF ALLIED
PERMISSION NOT FORTHCOMING. END SUMMARY.

2. ATALLIED REQUEST, SENAT SENT UNIFORMED CUSTOMS
OFICILS TO WANNSEE AND CHARLOTTENBURG STATIONS
AFTERNOON OF MARCH 3 TO SPEAK TO REICHSBAHN OFFICIALS
ABOUT REMOVAL OF MATERIAL FROM US AND BRITISH SECTORS
RESPECTIVELY. REISCHSBAHN OFFICAL AT WANNSEE CLAIMED
THAT ONLY MATERIAL REMOVED THUSFAR WAS SOME RAILS AND
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SWITCHES (ATEND OF ONE PLATFORM WHICH IS TO BE

LENGTHENED TO ACCOMMODATE LONGER INER-CITY TRAINS)
AND THEY HAD BEEN TAKEN TO ZEHLENDORF S-BAHN STATION
(IN AMERICAN SECTOR) FOR STORAGE. REICHSBAHN OFFICIAL
AT WANNSEE SAID HE WAS AWARE OF REQUIREMENTS OF
BK/O(49)217 REGARDING REMOVAL OF MATERIAL FROM ALLIED
SECTORS. HE ADDED THAT ONLY SOME DEBRIS HAD BEEN
REMOVED FROM STATION AREA AND TAKEN TO GDR FOR DUMPING.
REICHSBAH OFFICIAL AT CHARLOTTENBURG STATION ALSO
INDICATED AWARENESS OF ALLIED ORDERS AND STATED THAT
ONLY DEBRIS HAD BEEN REMOVED FROM STATION AND TAKEN TO
GDR FOR DUMPING. HE SUGGESTED THAT IF THERE WERE
ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS THEY SHOULD BE TAKEN UP WITH
REICHSBAHN OFFICE IN WEST BERLIN (KOCHSTRASSE).

3. SENAT OFFICIAL ARE MEETING MORNING OF MARCH 4
WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF FIRMS INVOLVED IN CONSTRUCTION
AT WANNSEE, CHARLOTENBURG AND SPANDAU STATIONS
(INCLUDING HILBIG AND VENTZKE) TO ASK THEM TO CONVEY
FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO REICHSBAH: FIRM IS CONCERNED
BY LACK OF ALLIED WORK AUTHORIZATION AND MAY THEREFORE
BE FORCED TO CEASE WORK(OR NOT BEGIN IT) UNLESS
PROPER PERMISSION IS FORTHCOMING. (NOTE: THIS IS
MODIFICATION OF MESSAGE CONTAINED IN USBERLIN 410 IN
THAT FIRMS WILL ONLY BE TELLING REICHSBAHN OF POSSIBILITY,
NOT OF FACT, THAT THEY MAY BE FORCED TO STOP WORK).

4. ALLIED LEGAL ADVISERS MET AFTERNOON OF MARCH 3
AND PREPARED DRAFT ORDER TO BE USED TO FORCE FIRMS
TO CEASE WORK SHOULD ALLIES DECIDE ON SUCH MEASURE.
TEXT FOLLOWS BY SEPTTEL.

5. WE ADVISED SENAT MORNING OF MARCH 4 THAT ALLIES
BELIEVE PERMREP GAUS SHOULD INFORM EAST GERMAN CONTACTS
THAT FRG IS CONCERNED OVER LACK OF REICHSBAHN COMPLIANCE
WITH ALLIED ORDER(REF PARA 5 USBERLIN 410 AND HUGHES-
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